

# Atty. Hastings Is Named U.S. Court Commissioner

Atty. George C. Hastings, a resident of Wethersfield with law offices in Hartford, was named Friday as U. S. commissioner for the U. S. District Court here.

Hastings will succeed U. S. Commissioner Benedict M. Holden Jr., who has held the post for eight years. Holden's current appointment ends Sunday.

Hastings will be sworn in Monday at 10:30 a.m. in ceremonies which will also see newly appointed U. S. District Judge William H. Timbers of Darien take the oath of office.

Commissioner Holden said Friday that he is not accepting re-appointment for personal reasons. The Courant reported Sept. 9 that Holden is a leading prospect for appointment by Gov. Ribicoff to a judgeship on the new state circuit court.

Hastings is a graduate of Yale University, 1948 and Yale Law School, 1956. He served in the Army during the Korean War.

He is currently a member of the firm of Robinson, Robinson and Cole. In 1957, he served as



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law clerk for U. S. District Judge Robert P. Anderson.

He is married to the former Ada Harcourt of Indiana, Pa. and New York City. They have two children and live at 76 Stillwold Dr., Wethersfield.